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In re National Stage Patent Application of  
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For: ARTIFICIAL JOINT, IN PARTICULAR ENDOPROSTHESIS FOR  
REPLACING NATURAL JOINTS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-captioned PCT  
national stage application, as amended during International  
Preliminary Examination, kindly further amend the application as  
follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, delete "according to one of claims 1 or 2"  
and insert in lieu thereof --according to claim 1--.

N.E. Claim 4, line 1, delete "according to one of the claims 1  
through 3" and insert in lieu thereof --according to claim 1--.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

After the claims, please insert the Abstract of the  
Disclosure found on the accompanying sheet.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are respectfully submitted to  
eliminate multiple dependencies from the claims prior to

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